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TWO CENTS.

# Japanese Occupied City This Morning.

## RUSSIANS IN RETREAT

Worst Fears Entertained for Kuropatkin's Army.

STORY OF LONG SIEGE

MANY PRISONERS AND ENOR-MOUS STORES CAPTURED.

Full Extent of Disaster Unknown Because of Interrupted Telegraphic

Communication.

Mukden is now in the hands of the Japanese and Oyama's great objective has been accomplished after a prolonged and desperate battle. A single terse line from Tokyo saying that the Japanese entered the ancient capital at 10 o'clock and a confirmatory dispatch from Yinkow is all that is known.

Kuropatkin is in full retreat, but the fate of his army is still in doubt. With Tie Pass his point of refuge he is endeavoring to extricate his forces, but from the meager information in today's dispatches it is apparent that his position is extremely critical.

has been gradually thrown to the to be moving northward. The Japanese line, after covering the old east and west front is bent sharply toward the north and at strategic points is projected east until its gans are within range of the railway.

On the east General Kawamura's army is reported as making forced marches with the probable object of striking the retreating Russians on their left. Apparently the Russians are racing north with a Japanese column on either flank and fighting a rear guard action with the Japanese center army.

St. Petersburg is prepared for news of a great disaster, but all Japanese sources of information are significantly silent as to what is transpiring on Oyama's greatest

TOKYO. March 10 .- The Japanese troops occupied Mukden at 10 o'clock this (Friday) morning.

YINKOW, March 10 .- Mukden fell at 10 e'clock this (Friday) morning.

The Russians are panic stricken Thousands of prisoners and enormous

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10, 6 p.m.-The dispatches of the Associated Press from Tokyo and Yinkow today announcing that Mukden had fallen, and that the Japanese had captured thousands of prisoners and enormous quantities of stores and guns, only confirm the worst fears entertained here, the dispatches of the Associated Press received here last night having shown that the trap was sprung.

The announcement furnished a miserable end to the Russian carnival week. This emy, who is making an obstinate resist-

being a holiday the war office was closed to the public, hundreds of people in quest of news besieging the doors in vain. In-

## RETREATING NORTHEAST.

Efforts of Russians to Check Pursuit From Mukden.

NIUCHWANG, March 10 .- According to eliable information received here the Russians, having been driven out of Mukden and Fushun, and with the railroad cut, are retreating in a demoralized condition to the hill country toward the northeast.

Detached bodies of Russians are roughly entrenching with a view to checking the pursuit, but no great rear-guard action is

It will be impossible for the Russians to keep up any sort of resistance for many days, as there are no means of provisioning in the rough country through with they are

It is believed that the Russians may attempt to reach Kirin, 285 miles northeast of Mukden, through the valleys, but a special Japanese corps from the direction of the Yalu river (probably General Kawamura's forces) threatens to cut them off.

General Kuroki is advancing northwest and is forcing the Russians against General Nogi's armies.

The casualties on both sides have been enormous. The Russian 16th Army Corps was practically annihilated at Tatchekiao. Eight thousand Russians fell at Leukuan-

## OYAMA CONFIRMED REPORT.

Surrounding Movement Now Completed-Fierce Fighting Continued. TOKYO, March 10, 8 p.m.-Field Marshal Oyama telegraphs as follows under today's

"We occupied Mukden at 10 o'clock this "Our surrounding movement, in which we have been engaged for some days past,

has now completely succeeded. "The fiercest fighting continues at several places in the vicinity of Mukden. "We captured a great number of prisoners, enormous quantities of arms, ammunition, provisions and other war supplies. There is at present no time to investigate the number of these."

## METHODICAL RETREAT.

Kuropatkin Using Three Lines for Withdrawal of His Army. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, March 10 .- A cablegram from Paris says: The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo De Paris reports an interview with a Russian general, who said Behind the Japanese screen that that Kuropatkin was retreating methodically and without disorder.

He had three lines of retreat open, namewest and north of Mukden columns ly, Fushun, Tieling road, which was a good of infantry and guns are reported Mandarin road, and the railway. He was than about the two other routes, for it was impossible to move an army of 400,000 men by a single railway.

The army would halt at Tieling, where there were strong fortified positions, and rest. The Japanese, being too exhausted, rest. The Japanese, being would be unable to pursue.

## PEKING IMPRESSED.

Feeling of Diplomats in the Chinese Capital. PEKING, March 10 .- The results of the

ecent fighting in Manchuria have made considerable of an impression in diplomatic circles here, and even the most sanguine pro-Russians have been forced to admit that the prospects for Russian success are discouraging. From a Russian point of view it was ex-

pected that after the winter had passed the Russian armies, reinforced, would avenge their reverses and retrieve their fallen for-

The recent defeat has shattered this hope and it is generally believed that the end of the war is not far distant.

## Guarding Against Mines.

The chief shipping firms of Tientsin have approached the British authorities, advocating measures against the danger from floating mines in the Gulf of Pechili. The British authorities communicated with Yuan Shai Kai, viceroy of Chili province, asking for his co-operation in the work of destruction, suggesting that he send a Chinese man-of-war to assist. Vice Admiral Noel, in command of the British fleet on the China station, who! was communion the China station, who was communicated with, is very desirous that all the authorities cordially co-operate, as the passage of the northern waters is attended; with considerable danger.

## RUSSIANS DISLODGED.

Persistent Charges of Japanese Finally Successful.

TOKYO, March 10, 11 a.m.-The following telegram has been received from the Manchurian army headquarters in the field: "In the direction of Singehing for some days our force has been attacking the en-



PEACE: "YOU'D BETTER COME AND PLAY ON MY CELLAR DOOR."

ance in strong positions. Finally in the neighborhood of Tieta our force at 3 o'clock Thursday morning completely dislodged the enemy, whom they are now pur-

Pursued Toward Fushun,

ward Fushun. "In the direction of the Shakhe and east

and south of Mukden we entirely pressed the enemy to the basin of the Hun river. "We stopped on the left bank, attacking the enemy's strong fortifications west and north of Mukden. "Our attack against the enemy, who is obstinately resisting, is being pushed vig-

"A heavy dust storm obscured the sun Thursday and as a consequence the dark-ness precluded seeing any distance."

Russian Strength West of Mukden. It is unofficially reported that the Russian strength west of Mukden consists of two corps. The Japanese who destroyed the railroad are pressing the Russians northward and the portion of the Japanese center pressing the Russians northward along the Mukden road is now engaged six miles north of the Hun river.

The extreme Japanese right is within five miles of Fushun. Nearly all the Russians' heavy guns and many field guns have been captured. The Russians seem to be moving eastward toward Fushun, with the object of retiring

The above reference to the fighting north of the Hun river conflicts with the official reports, but possibly is later news.

## STORY OF THE SIEGE.

Yesterday's Desperate Fighting Most Terrible of All Battles.

MUKDEN, Thursday, March 9, 10 a.m.-The Japanese last night pushed up from the south across the abandoned plain between the Sha and Hun rivers, and are as this dispatch is filed about five miles south of the latter and from the Hun opposite Machiapu and northward Japanese batteries are pouring in a ceaseless fire. The Japannese succeeded in emplacing siege guns and mortars at Diushantun, about six miles west of this city, whence they opened fire before dawn.

Diushantun was the scene yesterday of the bloodiest and most desperate fighting trainmen of all this terrible battle. Its possession was vital to the Japanese, who stormed it again and again. The Russians dislodged them, but the Japanese finally recaptured the village, after much hand-to-hand fight-

## Dead Scattered Over Streets.

Eye-witnesses say the dead scattered in the streets, court yards and houses have been unburied four days. Rifles and other arms lie about wrenched and twisted. Hand grenades were thrown by the Japanese, and the garrison was subjected to the concentrated fire of as many as a hundred guns. Diushantun once in their hands, the Japanese can train guns on Mukden railroad (Continued on Sixth Page.)

Asked Reinstatement.

NO TROUBLE OCCURRED

BIGGEST CROWDS SINCE STRIKE BEGUN-JAMMED STATIONS.

Accidents in Crush on Both Subway and Surface Lines Company Received Warnings.

NEW YORK, March 10 .- Despite sensational reports that organized demonstrations would be made by strikers against the men who have taken their places in the subway and on the elevated lines which were circulated during the night, no trouble of any kind had occurred today. At the same time it was apparent that the strike against the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, which was repudiated yesterday by the national officers of the organizations involved, still continued. Although the national officers had ordered the strikers to return to work, expulsion from the union being the penalty for failure to obey in some cases, diligent inquiry along the various lines today failed to show that the order had been heeded.

If any of the strikers have returned they have discarded the company uniform, as not a single regulation suit was to be seen on any of the trains. While there was some improvement in the operation of trains on all lines today, the normal standard of efficiency of service has not yet been approached. Trains were run at reg-ular and frequent intervals, but the regular schedules were not maintained in any case, and a lack of uniformity of opera-tion was noticeable in all directions, indicating lack of experience on the part of the Stations Jammed.

The biggest crowds since the strike began flocked to the uptown subway stations during the morning rush hours today. At the 96th street station, while the platforms were jammed to their fullest capacity, two persons were severely injured in the crush. One of them, a woman, fell in the narrow space between the platform and the car and her leg was badly crushed A man's leg was caught in the heavy sliding door of a car and severely frurt. Many others were roughly handled in the crush These conditions were repeated at many other points along the line, but no more other points along the line, but no more serious accidents were reported.

The severely taxed surface lines which have been called upon to handle an enormously increased traffic since the strike began also had their troubles today. Accidents on both the 8th avenue and Columbus avenue lines during the height of the morning rush blocked the tracks and resulted in increased congestion for a time. resulted in increased congestion for a time. The other surface lines in the uptown districts were being operated without difficulty, except for the greatly increased crowds which were diverted to them by the conditions on the 8th avenue and Columbus avenue brane are

Applications for Work. Scores of strikers appeared at the offices of the Interborough Company during the forenoon to apply for their old positions on the road. They were told that offices | ago had been opened uptown to receive such applications and that all of them must be made in the regular way. One of the men, a train guard, declared that half of the men were forced into the strike without knowing what they were solved. knowing what they were going on strike

A large number of letters containing warnings of alleged proposed attempts to destroy the company's property by the use of dynamite were received by General Manager Hedley today. A sample letter said an attempt would be made to blow up the car house at 145th street.

Advised Strikers to Stick.

George E. Pepper, president of the local union of the Amalgamated Association, after a meeting of the strikers today, said he told the men not to desert the union and that the statements that the national officers had repudiated the strike were un-true. He said the statements given out by the Interborough Company of its suc-cess in operating the trains, and to the ef-fect that the men were returning to work

"Even if the national officers had notific

Conditions Improved. borough Company's lines improved rap- two minutes deliberation.

The Yankee left for Tompkinsville.

idly during the day, and with the excepof those on 3d and 2d avenues, all the lines were being operated nearly on the

That the local labor leaders who inaugurated and have had charge of the strike "Our force in the vicinity of Machuntan continues in hot pursuit of the enemy tovard Fushun.

Scores of Striking Trainmen are not yet ready to concede defeat was made evident today when a formal statement was issued by H. B. May, vice president of the local union of the Amalgamated dent of the local union of the Amalgamated Association of electric and street railway employes. In this statement Mr. May declares that he is still confident the men will win. He says that very few men have deserted the strikers, and asserts that the rolling stock of the Interborough Company is in bad shape, rendered so by the incom petence of "green" motormen.

## CHARTER REVOKED.

Serious Blow to Striking Engineers in Gotham Strike

CLEVELAND, Ohlo, March 10.-Grand Chief Stone of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers today revoked the charter' of the striking Interborough engineers in New York.

Grand Chief Warren S. Stone and Assistant Grand Chief E. W. Hurley arrived here from New York today, and at once called a meeting of the grand council of the organization to consider the strike situation on the Interborough road in New York. At the conclusion of the meeting the following telegram was sent:

"Cleveland, Ohio, March 10, 1905. "W. L, Jencks, 656 East 141st street, New "Taking effect at once the charter of sub-

division No. 105 is recalled. You will forward charter and all books belonging to the subdivision to this office by express. (Signed) "W. S. STONE, G. C. E."

## BRYAN TALKED TO BADGERS.

Predicted Combination of Railways

With Standard Oil Company. MADISON, Wis., March 10.-On invitation of both houses Colonel William J. Bryan today addressed the Wisconsin legislature. Governor La Follette was present. Mr. Bryan characterized Governor La Follette as the first and foremost champion of reform in the republican party in the United States. The speaker opposed the he particularly scored the railroads. He predicted that the railroads would yet combine with the Standard Oil Com-pany in Kansas to put out of business the state oil refinery. Mr. Bryan, however, be-lieved that Kansas people would then be aroused to crush the monopolies in that state.

## SUICIDE AT SUFFOLK.

### Virginia Mill Owner Shot Himself in the Head.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

SUFFOLK, Va., March 10.-Augustus H. Cobb, a banker, and half owner of the Suffolk knitting mills, sent a bullet through his brains just before noon today. He was sitting in the private office of the Suffolk Banking and Trust Company, of which he and his brother, W. E. Cobb, were the principal stockholders, when the shot was heard. They found him dying, lying in a pool of blood.

known. The deceased is quite wealthy and had an income of some \$8,000 a year and his domestic relations have always been happy.

The cashier of his bank skipped town impair the institution's finances. Mr. Cobb was a native of Brunswick, Me., and came to Suffolk about fiften years

The cause of the suicide is not clearly

when he started the Suffolk knitting mills in a small way and made money rapidly. He was about forty-five years

## STANFORD POISON MYSTERY.

Coroner's Jury Returned Verdict of Unnatural Death.

HONOLULU, March 9.-The coroner's jury last night returned a verdict that Mrs. Jane L. Stanford died an unnatural death. The verdict says that death was due to strychnine poisoning, the poison having been introduced into a bottle of bicarbonate of soda with felonious intent by some person or persons to the jury unknown.

The end of the inquest with a positive verdict of murder leaves the police of Honolulu as much without a clew as when

Honolulu as much without a clew as when Mrs. Stanford died. High Sheriff Henry said after the inquest that it was his opinion that the strychnine was placed in the scda in San Francisco by a member of Mrs. Stanford's household.

At the inquest Dr. Shorey testified that the strychnine used, as shown by the tests, was a strychnine such as is not used generally for medicinal purposes, but used principally for poisoning animals. This statement is regarded as of possible assistance in tracing the purchase of the strychnine.

The jury returned its verdict after about

rive, from San Francisco on the steamer Alameda today may be able to take up the investigation on new lines. The local police admit that they are at sea.

# PEASANT DISORDERS

SERIOUS OUTBREAKS IN SOUTH ERN RUSSIA-TROOPS CALLED.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10, 4:40 p.m.-The peasant disorders in the south of Rus sia the outbreak of which has previously been mentioned in these dispatches have become so serious in the governments of Chernigoff, Orel and Kursk that the war office has been obliged to dispatch troops thither to put down the uprisings and restore order.

The peasants have formed bands and have been wreaking vengeance by wholesale, burning and pillaging property. A sugar merchant of St. Petersburg has reseived word of the destruction of a large efinery by incendiarism, the loss involving hundreds of thousands of rubles.

Strike Agitations in France. BRESLAU, France, March 10 .- The strike agitations here are continuous. The strikers oday attempted to erect street barricades which the troops destroyed. Frequent affrays occurred between the troops and the strikers, and many arrests have been made. The city council, which is composed of socialists, sympathizes with the strikers and has voted \$400 for their relief. The higher authorities are considering the question of government interference for the dissolution of the council.

## SWOLLEN STREAMS SOUTHWEST. Traffic Impeded by Heavy Rains--Lines Equipped.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., March 16 .- All Santa Fe trains for the west are held at this point indefinitely. Heavy rains to the west and south have swollen all streams along the Santa Fe, Pacific and the Rio Grande

divisions of the Santa Fe, and the line is badly crippled. The big blue water dam on the Rio San Jose and the Cubero dam on the same stream have gone out and the floods have played havoc with the Santa Fe tracks, which closely parallel that stream for nearly two miles. The huge steel bridge at Rio Puerco station, where the railroad crosses the Rio Puerco, buttressed with im-

mense stone walls and piers at enormous cost a year ago, is so badly damaged that it is impossible to get trains across it.

The track along the Rio Grande near La
Joya, south of this city, near the confluence
of the Rio Puerco with the Rio Grande, is badly damaged, large stretches being com-pletely washed away. Five hundred In-dians and Mexicans are at work at Rio Puerco to save the bridge and get the track open for business.

## PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS. rmy and Navy Promotions and Federal Judge.

The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate: To be United States district judge-Edward Whitson of Washington, for the eastern district of Washington.

To be a brigadier general on the retired list of the army-Colonel Allen Smith, 6th Cavalry. To be a first lieutenant of cavalry-Sec ond Lieutenant William C. Gardenshire,

15th Cavalry. To be first lieutenants in the Marine Corps—Second Lieutenant James J. Mead, Second Lieutenant Charles J. E. Guggen-Carpenters to be chief carpenters-William E. Powell McCall Pate, Thomas W. Rich-

## NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

Diplomatic and Consular Selections Approved by the Senate.

The Senate today in executive session confirmed the following nominations: George B. Anderson, District of Columbla. consul at Antigua. W. I.: Robert S. Chilton, ir., District of Columbia, consul at Toronto, Ont., Canada; Hunter Sharp, North Carolina, consul at Kobe, Japan; Robert Brent Mosher, District of Columbia, consul at Collingwood, Ont., Canada; Wm. Phillips, Massachusetts, second secretary of the legation at Peking, China; Henry P. influence of corporations in politics, and Fletcher, Pennsylvania, secretary of the legation at Lishon, Portugal; Thomas Ewing Moore, District of Columbia, secretary of legation and consul general to Roumania and Servia: Charles S. Wilson, Maine, sec-retary of the legation at Greece and Montenegro and of the diplomatic agency in Bulgaria, with residence at Athens; Will-iam Blumenthal, New York, third secretary of the embassy at Paris, France; Lewis Einstein, New York, third secretary of the embassy at London; Craig W. Wadsworth, New York, second secretary of the embassy at London; John Ridgely Carter, Maryland, secretary of the embassy at London; Jerome Martin, New Mexico, register of

## TREATY FAVORABLY REPORTED. Discussion in the Senate Will Begin Monday.

Also promotions in the navy.

Senator Cullom, in executive session of the Senate today, reported favorably the Santo Domingo treaty. By agreement the Senate will adjourn over until Monday, and discussion of the treaty will be begun at that time.

Senator Hale offered an amendment to the treaty, providing that all proceedings under it shall cease and determine in ten years unless the life of the treaty is extended by another convention.

No formal report on the treaty was presented from the committee either by the majority or the minority, and it is understood none will be prepared. There was no effort to bring up the Bacon resolution, which by common consent went over until

## Personal Mention.

State Senator Higgins of Maryland is a guest at the Arlington. Dr. H. B. Wilkinson of Manila, P. I., is

stopping at the Ebbitt. Lieut. Gov. Joseph E. Willard of Virginia is at the New Willard. Col. R. L. Bullard, U. S. A., is at the

Ebbitt. President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America was a guest at the Ebbitt yesterday, but left later for New York to join a conference of labor

Col. A. G. Paine, whose reputation as a close personal friend and supporter of the late Thomas Buchanan Reed is national, is at the Shoreham. Naval Movements. The Newark and Stewart have arrived at

San Juan, the Whipple at Pensacola, the Paul Jones at Port Townsend, the Arethusa at Guantanamo and the Caesar at Hampton Roads.

Business Opportunities.

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made through advertise-

ments under heading of

Business Opportunities in

the advertising columns of

The Star. The rate is one cent a word each day if the notice is inserted three

Many legitimate business

Washington Attorney Arrested in Chatham, N. Y.

## UNDER CHARGES HERE

ALLEGED APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS OF LOCAL ASSOCIATION.

Left This City More Than Eight Months Ago-In Hiding Ever Since.

The police authorities of this city have succeeded in affecting the arrest of Thomas M. Fields, long recognized as a prominent local attorney, who is charged with embezzlement and forgery, said to have been committed here in connection with his participation in the receivership of the Washington Beneficial and Endowment Association. Mr. Fields was arrested in Chatham, N. Y., and is now on the way to this city, accompanied by a detective. Fields has been classed as a fugitive since last July. The local grand jury returned an indictment against

him today. After being shadowed and pursued about he state of New York for more than eight months Thomas M. Fields, lawyer and sperting man, is under arrest. He was caught at Chatham, Columbia county, N. Y., this morning, and is on his way here in custody of Detective William T. Tyser of



## Thomas M. Fields.

Capt. Boardman's staff. It is charged that he committed forgery and embezzlement in this city and that he appropriated about \$16,000 of the money of the defunct Washington Beneficial and Endowment Association, of which the late Lawrence Gardner was president for so many years. Fields and Attorney Andrew A. Lipscomb were receivers in the case, and Fields, it is charged, took all the money that was intrusted to them before it was discovered that there was practically nothing left to the credit of the receivers. He even went so far, it is charged, to transfer the acount from the Washington Loan and Trust Company to the Second National Bank after about \$9,000 had been drawn from the fund. This transfer, it is claimed, made a much easier matter for him to draw the money without arousing suspicion. The alleged defalcation was talked of in legal and police circles some days before the police were advised of the fact that their services were needed. It was during this time that Fields made himself scarce and was not to be found after the police re-ceived the request to arrest him.

Warrant Procured. This occurred during the early part of the month of June. Attorney Lipscomb, the co-receiver with Fields, went to the clerk's office of the Police Court and swore out a warrant alleging the embezzlement of the money. In addition to this charge he alleges that Fields forged his name to many of the checks in order to get the money. It was about the middle of May when Fields was last seen in this city. His wife died shortly after the police were asked to apprehend him, and it was thought he might possibly return and make an ef-fort to visit the house. Detectives were stationed about the premises until the body was taken to the cemetery, but he did not appear. Fields was always well known in sporting circles, and the police felt that he would go to New York and make an effort to win money on the races.

## Small Reward Offered.

Several times since Fields left here the police have heard that he was in New York, and detectives have been sent there from time to time to search for him. In order to enlist the services of detectives in other cities Captain Boardman prepared an illustrated circular, offering a reward of \$50 for his capture. It was stated in the circular that he was wanted for forgery and embezzlement, and gave the necessary

Prompt Action by Authorities.

It is stated that Fields frequented some of the race tracks in New York last summer and was often seen about the city. A few days ago the police received information about his probable whereabouts and Detective Tyser was sent to New York two days before the inauguration. He kept under cover and advised Capt. Boardman of his movements. This morning about 10:30 o'clock a message was received at head-quarters from Chatham, saying:

"Have my man and will leave with him at once."

TYSER."

It was with more than ordinary pleasure that the captain went upstairs and in-formed Major Sylvester of the successful termination of the long pursuit.
"Fields has been within forty miles of
New York city most of the time since he
left here," Capt. Boardman stated today,

after receiving the message from Detective Attorney Lipscomb learned of the arrest of Fields shortly after the receipt of the message from Detective Tyser. He had already been served with a paper notifying him to appear before the grand jury and tell what he knew of Fields transactions.

"I don't care to say a word about the

